

Committee backs Walters confirmation

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted 10-0 yesterday to recommend confirmation of Vernon A. Walters as the new U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. Mr. Walters, 68, a retired three-star Army general, previously served as a roving ambassador in the Reagan administration, a negotiator at the Paris peace talks during the Vietnam War, an interpreter to Richard M. Nixon when he was vice president and deputy director of the CIA.

The committee voted with no debate, signaling Mr. Walters' easy confirmation when the nomination reaches the Senate floor.